1st. GRADE N.S.W. SOCCER PREMIERSHIP SEMI-FINALS

To-morrow SUNDAY 5th SEPTEMBER

At LAMBERT PARK. LEICHHARDT—

LEICHHARDT-ANN.

v.

WALLSEND—3 p.m.

Early Game:

RESERVE GRADE PREMIERSHIP SEMI-FINAL

1.15 p.m.

AUBURN UNITED v. GLADESVILLE ATHLETIC

At CRYSTAL PALACE, WALLSEND—

MAYFIELD UNITED

v.

AUBURN—3 p.m.

Early Game:

MINOR LEAGUE FIXTURE

1.15 p.m.

STATE CUP QUARTER FINALS

NEXT SATURDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER—

Auburn v. East Lakes at Macarthur Park, Granville

NEXT SUNDAY, 12th SEPTEMBER—

Mayfield United v. Canterbury-Marrickville at Crystal Palace, Wallsend.

Leichhardt-Annandale v. Cessnock (Replay) at Lambert Park, Leichhardt.

(Corrimal has already qualified for the Semi-Finals).

AND ON

SATURDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER

SOUTHERN LEAGUE 1st GRADE PREMIERSHIP SEMI-FINALS

Arlington Park—

HAKOAH v. ST. GEORGE, 3 p.m.

Early Game:

Reserve Grade Semi-Final, 1.15 p.m.

ST. GEORGE ALBION v. REGENT

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Gladesville Sportsground—

SYDNEY AUSTRAL v. LANE COVE or GUILDFORD, 3 p.m.

Early Game:

Reserve Grade Semi-Final

LONGUEVILLE v. HOLLANDIA

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THE THIRD TEST MATCH

SATURDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER

AUSTRALIA

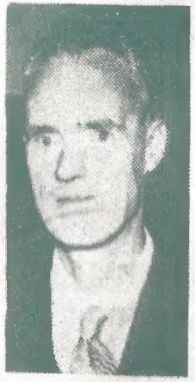
v.

NEW ZEALAND

at

SYDNEY SPORTSGROUND, 3 p.m.

Mr. J. C. JONES
Australian Manager



J. Kershaw
Manager)

SUNDAY, 5th SEPTEMBER

SOUTH COAST DISTRICT

v.

NEW ZEALAND

at SLACKY FLAT, BULLI, 3 p.m.

ROUND THE STATE

WITH "DINGY"

It is sure tough winning this N.S.W. State Premiership outright. Cessnock the Minor Premiers has already been beaten in the quarter final and now hase one chance left namely the Grand Final. Corrimal, which won the Southern division by 9 points, has lost all premiership interest for 1954, having been eliminated 4—0 by Auburn in the quarter final.

That Auburn v. Corrimal quarter final replay was a real boilover. Corrimal had first half chances but the forwards frittered them away by dallying in front of goal. In the second half, the Auburn team outclassed the South Coast side and if the Greens produce that second half form in the semi-finals and final, they will surely collect that Premiership pennant, which is the only major trophy the club has so far not had its name engraved on.

Although it IS eliminated from the 1954 Premiership series, the Corrimal side has provided grand soccer entertainment throughout the season. Our thanks to the lads who have so capably represented Corrimal in the well known Red and White shirts this year, for the many happy and entertaining hours they have given the soccer public. Perhaps the coasters consolation will come along in the State Cup competition.

Mayfield United has gone from success to success. Having beaten Cessnock to enter the State Premiership semi-finals, the Mayfield boys last week beat Adamstown in a replay of the second round State cup tie, and will now meet Canterbury-Marrickville in the quarter final.

The popular Wallsend team will be seen in Sydney this week-end . . . in opposition to Leichhardt-Annandale in the Premiership semi-final. The forward line of the Reds is a group of youngsters who provide delightful soccer.

Well, a prophet is always unhonoured in his own country. To be quite frank, I was stunned when a NEWCASTLE man told me last week-end, that the Mayfield United side was "just a team." I could not help telling him that any team which could defeat Cessnock and Adamstown in successiv weeks must be something more than his derogatory definition.

This season alone, the N.S.W. SOCCER Football Association has donated 350 footballs to schools, financed two schoolboys carnivals, and also distributed £650 amongst schools and junior organisations. Furthermore, the Association will donate to the winning teams of every under 10, 12 and 14 years competitions between the Queensland and Victorian borders, 12 trophies for the players.

The memberships of the N.S.W. Soccer Club is filling up more rapidly than ever. Subscriptions are being received every day, and they are not confined to Foundation Memberships either. Quite a number of good sports people have already forwarded their £100 for life membership. The Foundation membership fee is £10/10/- for the first five years. If you have not forwarded yours yet then do so now, because the membership will definitely be closed at a future date. See the application form on page 15.

For the first time in many years, the Granville club's participation in the Premiership and State cup competitions ended early. In fact, I cannot recall when the Black and White shirts were placed in the moth balls as early as August. What a series of misfortunes the Magpies suffered, and at the most important part of the season too. Do not worry you Granville fans, with the oncoming talent available, the Macarthur Park Brigade will be around the top of the League table for many years yet.

The Auburn Soccer club is to hold its annual Ball at the Westralia Ballroom in Macquarie Road, Auburn, on 15th October. It is one of soccer's special highlights of the year. Tickets may be obtained from secretary, Harry Greentree, by ringing YX7309 or YX7922.

THE NEW ZEALANDERS' RECORD TO DATE

The New Zealanders' visit in 1954, has altered the opinion of most Australian fans, concerning the quality of soccer in the Shaky Isles. When the Australian team visited New Zealand in 1950, it swept through that tour without losing a match, and the N.Z. standard at that time was unquestionably poor. But arrival of numerous immigrant people saw an influx of "new blood" in the game, and while the National eleven is by no means in world class, there is no doubt it has provided Australian fans with a pleasant surprise.

Of its nine matche played to date, the New Zealanders won 4, lost 3 and drawn 2, and amongst their victories were the scalps of an Australian XI at Adelaide, Australian (1st Test) at Melbourne, and the powerful N.S.W. side in Sydney.

Here is the N.Z. record with two matches to play:

N. Z.	3	v	South Australia	2	(August 4th)
N.Z.	3	v	Australian XI	1	(August 7th)
N. Z.	1	v	Victoria	2	(August 11th)
N. Z.	2	v	Aust. 1st Test	1	(August 14th)
N. Z.	0	v	Granville Dist.	3	(August 18th)
N. Z.	4	v	N. S. W.	1	(August 21st)
N. Z.	2	v	Queensland	2	(August 25th)
N. Z.	1	v	Aust. 2nd Test	4	(August 28th)
N. Z.	1	v	Northern Dist.	1	(August 29th)

The two matches to be played are:

N. Z.	v	Australia (3rd Test)	Saturday 4th September
N. Z.	v	South Coast	Sunday 5th September

Skipper Jimmy Hunter, one of the finest sportsmen to visit Australia in recent years, has this to say—

"We have had a grand time and have been treated splendidly since arriving in Australia. Amongst the many fond memories we shall take back with us is that of a launch trip around Sydney's beautiful Harbour.

'I feel that prior to our arrival in Australia, sports people here had probably assessed our quality as being similar to that of 1950 when Australia won so easily in New Zealand.

We have made no claims to being champions, but I am sure the Australian fans have enjoyed our efforts and appreciated our performances so far.

The loss of Roy King, our star centre-forward, was a severe blow and for a while we had to do without the services of inside forward Allan Smith.

Australia and New Zealand are all square having each won a test, and the third Test in Sydney will decide the destination of the Ashes. The New Zealand lads will give all they have in a great effort to win the Rubber, and of course if we succeed, all shall be elated. However, we also know how to lose gracefully, and if Australia is the victor, our congratulations will be most sincere. Whatever may happen in the vital test match, we shall again be trying very hard to conclude our visit with a win at Bulli on Sunday.

"That is the last match, of course, and then we shall be off home again. May I say to all the good soccer people and other sportsmen and sportswomen of Australia, who have so sportingly received us, au revoir. We shall be looking forward, at a date we hope in the very near future, to entertaining the Australian team in New Zealand, and joining issue again in International sporting contest."

Jim Hunter.

TO-DAY'S (Sat.) MAIN EARLY MATCH AT 1.15 P.M.

Southern League fans will recall the Lane Cove v Guildford Premiership fixture on 19th July, which was terminated by the referee with twenty minutes still to go. The reason was a Guildford player who was ordered off refused to obey the referee's order, and was eventually suspended for the remainder of the season. Now the N.S.W. Soccer Football Association has ordered the match to be replayed, and it has been presented as the main early game to-day at the Sydney Sportsground.

Here is the position of the two teams which are staging a desperate struggle for a position in the first four which means entry into the Southern League Premiership semi-finals.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Lane Cove	21	12	6	3	80	31	27
Guildford	21	12	7	2	54	53	26

Guildford requires a win to enter the semi-finals, while a draw will ensure Lane Cove's entry.

LANE COVE
(Blue and Gold)

G. R. Waller
1. L. Hardwicke
2. C. Bowley
3. E. Lancelot
4. F. Lee
5. K. Burkett
6. A. Cowie
7. E. Godwin
8. B. Bell
9. G. Smith
10. W. Pittman

GUILDFORD
(Black and White)

G. J. Hill
1. M. Hines
2. E. Burnett
3. G. Sheldon
4. R. Harland
5. J. Wall
6. A. Rowe
7. J. Ainsworth
8. R. Burnett
9. A. Horrocks
10. J. Mankelow

Referee: Mr. F. Chidgey

Linesmen: Mr. N. McHugh (Blue Flag) and Mr. A. Lemonius (Yellow Flag)

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SURINAM—Founded 1920. Clubs 29 in Paramaribo with 840 players. Beyond that district players are not registered. Season, throughout year. No special colours; Paramaribo Stadium, 10,000.

SWEDEN—Founded 1934. Clubs 2,738, club members 267,480. Season, April-November. Colours, yellow shirts, blue shorts, blue and yellow stockings. Largest ground, Stockholm, 38,000.

SWITZERLAND—Founded 1895. Clubs 756, players 46,729. Season, September-May. Colours, red shirts, white crosses, white shorts, black stockings. Grounds, fourteen with upwards capacity of 20,000.

TURKEY—Founded 1923. Clubs 1,027, players 17,482. Colours, white and red striped shirts, white shorts, black stockings. Largest ground, Istanbul, 30,000.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA—Founded 1931. Clubs 3,000, players 75,000. Season, September-June. Colours, white shirts, blue shorts, red stockings. Grounds, baseball and athletic stadiums for important matches, 20,000 to 80,000.

URUGUAY—Founded 1900. Players 30,390. Season, March-December. Colours, light blue, white collars and cuffs, black shorts, black stockings. Grounds, Montevideo, 80,000, twenty others with 20,000 to 30,000 capacity. (World champions at present).

YUGOSLAVIA—Founded 1919. Six regional associations, players 54,347. Season, spring and autumn. Colours, blue shirts, white shorts, red stockings. Largest stadium, Belgrade, 60,000.

With acknowledgments to the Standard, New Zealand.

State Junior Championships are a Great Enterprise

Annually in this State, junior championships are conducted amongst all registered junior Associations and Districts. All age groups are catered for ,and these representative sides, chosen from the clubs of the Associations or Districts, produce many of the champions of future years.

In the extra early match to the Third Test at the Sydney Sportsground, is presented the under 14 years State Junior Championship final at 12.10 p.m.

You will be amazed by the skill of these youngsters, who are well catered for and coached by the men who sponsor and control their junior Associations.

The teams in the under 14 years State Junior Championship final are:

Newcastle (Green & Red) v Canterbury (Blue & Gold)

NEWCASTLE TEAM		CANTERBURY TEAM	
G .. J. Fullarton	(Wallsend No. 2)	G .. P. Chapman	(Earlwood)
1 .. R. Jackson	(Mayfield)	1 .. R. Terrau	(Earlwood)
2 .. J. Matthews	(Swansea)	2 .. K. Parsons	(Canterbury)
3 .. J. Watts	(Adamstown)	3 .. R. Chapman	(Marrickville)
4 .. T. Irwin	(Wallsend No. 1)	4 .. C. Aiken	(Earlwood)
5 .. K. Parsons	(Wallsend No. 2)	5 .. M. Mason	(Hurlstone Park)
6 .. W. Blanch	(Wallsend No. 2)	6 .. B. Anderson	(Earlwood)
7 .. R. Stanford	(Mayfield)	7 .. L. Bailey	(Lakemba)
8 .. W. Davies	(Lake Macquarie)	8 .. W. Philpot	(Lilyfield)
9 .. C. Halpin	(Swansea)	9 .. P. Pasalis	(Earlwood)
10 .. T. Thomson	(Adamstown)	10 .. P. Corbett	(Rosedale)
1st res. B. Walker	(Wallsend 2)		
2nd res. W. O'Donnell	(Wallsend 2)		
Manager	Mr. J. O'Donnell	Manager	Mr. C. Aiken

Referee .... Mr. G. Goudie
Linesmen: Mr. R. Brown (Blue Flag)
Mr. L. Foot (Yellow Flag)

MEMBERS OF THE NEW ZEALAND PARTY

P. Traynor
(Half-back)

J. Hunter
(Centre-half and Captain)

A. Preston
(Inside Forward)

W. Carruthers
(Asst. Manager and Coach)

THE MATCH OF THE CENTURY

In a booklet, published by the Hungarian News and Information Service, is given a comprehensive story of what the writers describe as the Match of the Century.

It deals with the events leading up to the first England v Hungary international soccer match, the game itself and the amazing welcome accorded the victorious Hungarian team on their arrival back in Budapest.

Hungary won the remarkable match 6-3, and there is no doubt the country's international players rank amongst the world's best.

Ironically enough, the base of all soccer training and coaching in Hungary was laid by former English trainers and coaches, and principally by Jimmy Hogan and Bill Hibberth.

Unlike our British countries, whose Premiership competitions are legion and must not be interrupted even for international football, the Hungarian Association controllers have different ideas. Actually, the whole of the premiership competition was suspended for the entire season so that the national team could be prepared for one objective . . . the defeat of England.

But the preparation went back even further than that, for over a period of almost four years the national team had been trained and coached as a unit.

Training was rigid and there was no place for the man who could not don the national shirt trained to the minute. So thorough was the final preparation that a match with Sweden was arranged and in that game the object was not so much to win, as to polish up the required moves which had been carefully planned to penetrate the English defence.

Publicity of the match electrified the entire sporting world, and tourist trips were arranged from every European country. Tickets for Wembley stadium were sold out within a few hours of the opening of sales. Hundreds travelled on spec from Europe only to find that they could not gain admission.

Leader of the Hungarian team, Mr. Gustav Sebes, journeyed to England in advance, where he witnessed the England v The Rest of the World match. He inspected the Wembley turf, arranged the restaurant where his players would stay, carefully specified the menus for them during their stay, and . . . took back to Hungary an English ball such as would be used in the big game.

On the night of November 22nd, 1953, the Hungarians arrived in London, and next morning the smiling face of mercurial captain, Ferenc Puskas, greeted readers of all newspapers in Britain. In factories, offices, clubs, theatres, even hospitals, the "formidable Hungarians" were the sole topic of conversation. The mighty Puskas, acrobatic goalkeeper Gyula Grosics, huge centre-half Gyula Lorant, and the "brains" of the team, 32-years-old centre-forward Nandor Hidegkuti captured the public imagination, and overnight became as well known as Tommy Finney or Stanley Mathews.

At 9 a.m. on the big day (November 25th), the players of the Hungarian team assembled in the Cumberland Hotel, and the porter, by way of encouragement, advised them the fog would soon lift and "as a matter of fact a bit of sunshine was expected."

When the team reached the great stadium, the ground was packed, and the Royal Air Force band was playing.

Instructions issued by Mr. Sebes were carefully absorbed, and finally the referee's whistle summoned the teams on to the arena. The Hungarians received a tumultuous welcome from the British sports people and the same full-throated roar greeted the pride of England.

Meanwhile in all towns and villages throughout Hungary people of both sexes and all ages had their ears glued to the radio for the whole 90 minutes of play was to be broadcast by decree of the Government which had marked the great occasion by declaring the day a public holiday.

At 2.17 p.m. Hidegkuti launched the ball on its 90 minutes' journey. The "Match of the Century" produced the soccer sensation of the century when right-half Bozsik slipped the ball through to Hidegkuti who strodes on into the penalty area and in the first minute of the game flashed a terrific shot high up into the English net. There was a paralysed silence for a minute then a mighty appreciative roar from the huge crowd. The centre-forward repeated the performance a couple of minutes later, but the goal was disallowed for an infringement.

Fourteen minutes had elapsed when English left-half Dickinson slipped a ground pass to Mortensen who quickly transferred to Jacky Sewell. The latter's quick feint and body swerve caught the Hungarian defence unawares and Sewell's fast ground shot brought up the equaliser.

Twenty-two minutes and Hungarian "Menace" Hidegkuti did it again. Emerging from a bunch of English opponents. he beat goalkeeper Gil Merrick with a fierce drive which was well outside the 'keeper's reach. One minute later came the greatest goal scored at Wembley for many a year. The ball moved in short passes between half-backs and forwards of the Hungarians in the most precise manner and nary an English foot touched it until it hit the back of the English net from the mighty drive from inside-left Puskas. A fourth goal, again by Puskas in the 29th minute brought further disaster, and the game looked well won.

However, Stan. Mortensen reduced the leeway in the 38th minute and half-time arrived with the scores 4—2. Bozsik and Hidegkuti added further Hungarian goals in the 50th and 53rd minutes, and Ramsey scored England's last goal from a penalty kick in the 57th minute.

So ended the "match of the century," and Hungary's four years' plan had succeeded.

A national holiday was again declared for the return of the team and Budapest traffic was brought to a standstill when countless thousands turned out to welcome the national football heroes home.

Thus ends a brief story of the Great Game — a game unsurpassed for thrills and skills. A game which knows no creeds, colours or denominations, but which continues never ending, to thrill the universe.

Yes, there is, and there always will be only one real ball game—

SOCCER FOOTBALL

THE THIRD TEST

Australia

(Green and Gold)

Goal—(11): W. HENDERSON (N.S.W.)

R.B.—(1): T. JACK (Victoria) L.B.—(2): K. O'NEILL (N.S.W.), Capt.

R.H.—(3): R. BIGNELL (N.S.W.) C.H.—(4): L. HEARNE (N.S.W.) L.H.—(5): C. SANDOR (Queensland)

I.R.—(7): J. LENNARD (N.S.W.) I.L.—(9): M. WILD (Queensland)

O.R.—(6): C. STEWART (N.S.W.) C.F.—(8): G. NUNN (Queensland) O.L.—(10): H. ROBERTSON (N.S.W.)

Australian Reserves:

D. Wendt (N.S.W.)
M. Walker (N.S.W.)
D. Bone (N.S.W.)

★

Manager: J. C. Jones (Wollongong)

Trainer: A. Lee (Granville)

O.L.—(11): A. SMITH C.F.—(15): K. OLLEY O.R.—(10): C. STEELE

I.L.—(5): D. CHARLTON I.R.—(14): F. BENGE

L.H.—(8): P. TRAYNOR C.H.—(7): J. HUNTER R.H.—(6): K. GIBSON

L.B.—(9): W. WESTERVELD R.B.—(2): M. COOPER

Goal—(1): H. HADDLESTONE

Reserves:—
R. Morrison (4)
M. Best (3)
A. Preston (12)
G. Barker (16)

Referee: Mr. S. G. Thorpe (Sydney)

New Zealand

(Black)

Manager: Mr. J. Kershaw

Asst. Manager and Coach: Mr. W. Carruthers

Linesmen: Mr. R. J. Wright (Sydney) (Blue Flag) and Mr. L. McDonald (Sydney) (Yellow Flag)

SOUTH COAST SECTION

New Zealand Visit . . . Sunday, 5th September, 1954

The New Zealand soccer team will visit the South Coast area to play its last match of the tour on Sunday, 5th September.

The visitors will leave Sydney by motor coach at 8.30 a.m. arriving at Sublime Point about 10 a.m. where they will be officially received by the members of the Combined South Coast Soccer Committee.

After morning tea, they will view the beautiful panoramic scenery from Sublime Point and the Bulli Lookout. The views from these vantage points are amongst the most beautiful which the New Zealand tourists will remember of their visit to this country.

Leaving the Lookout, the visitors will then be conducted on a sightseeing tour of the South Coast area, and like all previous visiting teams, will find this a most interesting experience.

At the conclusion of their tour around the district, the party will return to the Bulli Hotel for lunch, and from there will proceed to Slacky Flat to meet the combined South Coast eleven at 3 p.m.

They will be entertained after the game at a special dinner at the Woonona Bowling Club's rooms.

South Coast hospitality to overseas visitors is well-known throughout the soccer world, and the New Zealanders will take back with them, memories of one of the happiest days of their Australian visit.

The one discordant note connected with the New Zealand visit to the coast, is that of the attitude of the Wollongong Showground Trust and local Rugby League authorities. It is now history how the Showground Trust authorities completely bungled the whole of the arrangements for the game to be played at the Showground.

However, notwithstanding the Trust's bungling, the New Zealand v. South Coast match could still have been played there except for the fact that —the Rugby League authorities "Objected."

Of course you can hardly blame the League authorities, for the soccer code on the South Coast has now captured the public imagination and the League people are really fighting a losing battle for existence.

One thing which may not have occurred to those same League authorities is—that Australian sportsmen do not like dirty play, and the League action in "blocking" soccer's use of the Wollongong Showground on Sunday, 5th September, savours of the usual uppercutting in the scrums (on the blind side) and the ear-biting associated with the hash and bash game which is commonly referred to amongst the cleaner living types of sportsmen as the "Egg and Spoon" race.

The attitude of the Showground Trust and the League authorities, will in no way detract from the attractiveness of Sunday's game, and no apology is required to be offered to our New Zealand friends for this revelation, because don't forget, the Hash and Bash is played in New Zealand too, and they are no doubt familiar with selfish domination which apparently is part of the administrative teachings of this so-called sport which masquerades under the name of football.

SUNDAY, 5th SEPTEMBER

at Slacky Flat, Bulli . . . 3 p.m.

SOUTH COAST DISTRICT (Blue)	NEW ZEALAND (Black)
G. J. Brown (Corrimal)	
1. R. Bignell (Corrimal), Capt.	
2. H. Murdoch (Balgownie)	
3. W. Williams (Woonona-Bulli)	
4. J. Frame (Balgownie)	THE SELECTED
5. R. Young (Corrimal)	
6. C. Stewart (Woonona-Bulli)	NEW ZEALAND TEAM
7. G. Barlow (Balgownie)	WILL BE
8. K. Learmonth (Corrimal)	
9. E. Drain (Corrimal)	ANNOUNCED OVER
10. H. Rossling (Woonona-Bulli)	THE PUBLIC ADDRESS
Reserves: G. Wheatly (Corrimal)	SYSTEM
A. Fraser (Balgownie)	
R. Burns (Corrimal)	
Manager: Mr. E. Ramsey	
Trainers: H. Hamilton (Corrimal),	
W. Evans (Woonona-Bulli)	

Referee: Mr. G. Richardson

Linesmen: Mr. J. Vickery (Blue Flag) and Mr. J. Parker (Yellow Flag)

EARLY GAMES:

ILLAWARRA DISTRICT SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Under 18 Years' Premiership Semi-Finals

At 11.30 a.m.		At 1.15 p.m.	
COLEDALE v. BALGOWNIE		**WOONONA v. CORRIMAL**	
(Blue, Gold V)	(Black & White)	(Cerise & Blue)	(Red & White)

A COMPLETE GUIDE TO WORLD SOCCER

Many of our readers have demonstrated their interest in Soccer in far-away lands by asking for information about the colours and other details of foreign countries.

Here we print an invaluable survey of World Soccer. It should be kept carefully, as you will often wish to refer to it.

AFGHANISTAN—Founded 1933. Clubs 30, players 600. Season April-October. Four stadiums, 20 grounds.

ALBANIA—Founded 1930. Players 12,000. Season March-August. Colours, red shirts (Republic ensign). Black shirts, black and red stockings. Largest stadium, Tirana.

ARGENTINE—Founded 1893. Three divisions of clubs and provincial leagues. Season April-December. Colours, blue and white striped shirts, blue shorts. Largest stadium, Buenos Aires.

AUSTRIA—Founded 1926 Clubs 1,100 with 121,000 membership. Season February-October. Colours, white shirts (Austrian emblem), black shorts and stockings. Largest stadium, Vienna, 60,000.

BELGIUM—Founded 1895. Clubs 2,080, players 90,000. Season September-May. Colours, red shirts (Belgian emblem), tri-coloured collars and cuffs, black shorts, and stockings. Largest stadium, Brussels. 70,000.

BOLIVIA—Founded 1925. Four divisions of clubs, players 33,000. Season March-October. Colours, white shirts, black shorts and stockings. Principal ground, La Paz, Stadium of the Peace, 45,000.

BRAZIL—Founded 1914. Leagues number 56, players 3,588. Season February-December. Largest ground, Rio de Janiero, 200,000 capacity.

BULGARIA—Founded 1923. Clubs, four zonal groups plus fourteen regional. Season March-November. Colours, red shirts, white shorts, black stockings. Ground, Sofia, 45,000.

BURMA—Founded 1947. District associations 37. Largest stadium, Rangoon, 15,000.

CANADA—Incorporated 1923. Seven provincial associations, players 2,955. Season May-November. British Columbia. November-May. Colours, blue with maple leaf crest. Largest ground, Toronto, 23,000.

CHILE—Founded 1895. Clubs 1,022, players 69,296. Season, April December. Colours, red shirts with badge, blue shorts, grey stockings.

CHINA—Founded 1924. Other figures not to hand.

COLUMBIA—Founded 1924. Leagues 13, players 9,500. Season, March-December. Colours, white jerseys with blue, yellow and red stripes, blue shorts. Grounds. Estadio Alfonso Lopez (35,000) at Bucumaranza, Estadio El Campin (23,000) at Bogota and fourteen other centres.

COSTA RICA—Founded 1921. Clubs 27, players 1,000 amateurs. Season, March-November. Colours, blue, red and white. San Jose Stadium, 11,000.

CUBA—Founded 1929. Clubs 37, players 400. Season throughout the year.

CURACAO—Founded 1932. Three associations. Players 2,160. Season, May-February. Colours, orange shirts (Netherland arms), blue shorts, black stockings.

CYPRUS—Founded 1934. Players 505 (amateur). Season, October-June. Grounds, largest, Nicosia, 4,500.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA—Founded 1922. Players registered 139,578. Colours, red shirts, white shorts, blue stockings. Largest ground, Prague, Stade D'Etat, 60,000.

DENMARK—Founded 1889. Clubs 1,254, players 132,927. Season, August-June with break December-March. Colours, red shirts, white shorts, black stockings. Largest stadium, Copenhagen, 39,000, another Aarhus Stadium, 25,000.

ECUADOR—Founded 1925. Sub-associations number fifteen. Season, May-December at seaports, November-July in mountains. Colours, yellow shirts, blue band, dark blue shorts. Largest stadium, Guayaquil.

EGYPT—Founded 1921. Clubs 88, players 4,000. Season, September- May. Colours, green jerseys, white shorts. Stadiums in Cairo, Alexandria, Canal and Suez.

FINLAND—Founded 1907. Clubs 333, players 16,384. Colours, blue shirts, white collars and cuffs, white shorts, blue stockings. Largest stadium, Helsinki, 65,000.

FRANCE—Founded 1919. Clubs 8,477, players 449,874. Season, September-June. Colours, blue jerseys, white shorts, red stockings. Stadium (largest), Colombes in Paris, 62,000.

GERMANY—Founded 1900. Clubs 13,000, players 700,000 (amateurs). Season, August-June. Colours, white shirts, black edges, black shorts, black stockings. Stadiums, Berlin, 100,000 and twenty-two others holding 30,000 to 80,000.

GOLD COAST—Founded 1922. Clubs 50, players 600 (amateurs). Season, throughout the year. Colours, white and gold. Largest ground, Accra, 8,000, others being built for 6,000 capacity.

GREECE—Founded 1926. Clubs 210, players 10,372. Colours, white shirts, blue shorts, blue stockings. Largest stadium, Athens, 20,000.

GUATEMALA—Founded 1930. Players 8,000 approximately.

HAITI—Founded 1912. Affiliated with Central America and Caribbean Confederation. No further information available.

HONDURAS—Founded 1935. Clubs 48, players 10,000. Season, May-December. Colours, blue jerseys, white shorts. National stadium at Tegucigalpa, 10,000.

HUNGARY—Founded 1901. Clubs 1,300, players 120,500. Season, August to December and February to June. Colours, red jerseys, white shorts, green stockings. Largest stadium, Budapest, capacity 92,000.

ICELAND—Founded 1912. Ten associations, players 1,500. Season, April-September. Colours, white shirts with Icelandic flag, blue shorts, red stockings. Stadium, Reykjavik. Versus Denmark lost twice; versus Ireland won 1, versus Finland won 1, versus Norway lost 1.

INDIA—Founded 1937. Fourteen provincial associations each with 50 to 100 clubs, players 30,000. Season throughout year. Colours, light and dark blue shirts with All-India crest. All associations with own stadiums.

IRAN—Founded 1922. Clubs 180, players 2,700 (amateurs). Season, September-May. Colours, green shirts, white shorts, red stockings. Largest stadium, Teheran, 20,000.

IRAQ—Founded 1948. Club 12, players 800 (amateurs). Season, November-March. Colours, white jerseys, green shorts. Scouts Stadium, Baghdad, 8,000.

IRELAND (Eire)—Founded 1921. Clubs 1,000, players 14,000. Season, August-April. Colours, green shirts, white collars, white shorts, green and white stockings. Largest stadium, Dalymount Park, Dublin, 45,000.

ISRAEL—Founded 1928. Teams 170, players 2,300. Season, September-June. Colours, white shorts, blue collars, blue shorts. Largest stadium, Tel Aviv.

ITALY—Founded 1898. Clubs 4,864, players 107,431. Season, September-June. Colours, blue shirts, white shorts. Largest stadium, Rome, 100,000 and twenty-five others from 75,000 to 20,000.

JAPAN—Founded 1921. Clubs 430, players 20,000 (amateurs). Colours, blue shirts, white shorts. Largest stadium, Meiji Shrine, Tokio, 60,000, fourteen others 50,000 to 20,000.

LEBANON—Founded 1933. Clubs 32, players 2,000 amateurs. Colours, white shirts, black shorts, white stockings. All clubs with own stadiums, largest Beirut, 10,000.

LUXEMBOURG—Founded 1908. Clubs 125, players 7,000. Season, August-June. Colours, red shirts, white shorts, blue stockings. Stadium, Luxembourg, 18,000.

MEXICO—Founded 1927. Twelve professional clubs, 216 players, 32 State associations, 75,000 players. Season, March-December. Colours, cherry red shirts, blue shorts, blue stockings. Largest stadium, Mexico City, 55,000.

NETHERLANDS—Founded 1889. Clubs 3,109, players 263,228. Season, August-June. Colours, orange shirts, white shorts, blue stockings. Largest stadiums, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, each 65,000.

NEW ZEALAND—Founded 1891. Associations 19, teams 800. Season, April 1-September 30. Colours, black jerseys with silver fern, white shorts, black stockings.

NICARAGUA—Founded 1931. Teams 85, players 2,000. Season, throughout year. Colours, blue and white vertical striped jerseys, dark blue shorts. Largest stadium, Managua, 50,000.

NORWAY—Founded 1902. Clubs 1,280, players 67,160. Season, mid-April-mid-October. Colours. red shirts, white collars, white shorts, blue stockings. Largest stadium, Oslo, 35,000.

PAKISTAN—Founded 1948. Clubs 500, players 10,000 amateurs. Season in West Pakistan all year, in East Pakistan, March-November. Colours, white shirts, white shorts, green and white stockings. Largest grounds, Karachi and Peshawar.

PANAMA—Founded 1937. In 1st and 2nd class divisions. Season, February-June. Colours, red, white vertical stripes, blue shorts, blue stockings. Olympic Stadium, Panama City, 20,000.

PARAGUAY—Founded 1906 Players 11,430. Season, March-October. Colours, white and red jerseys, blue shorts. Largest stadium, Ascunsion, 30,000.

PERU—Founded 1922. Fifty-two provincial leagues. Season, throughout year. Colours, white and red stripes, white shorts, grey stockings. Main stadiums at Lima, Bellavista, Arequipa and Trujillo.

PHILIPPINES—Founded 1910. Twenty-eight clubs, players 432. Season, throughout year.

POLAND—Founded 1919. Clubs 1,172, players 90,624. Season, March-November. Colours, white shirts, red shorts, red and white stockings. Chief ground, Warsaw, 70,000, Wroclaw, 60,000.

PORTUGAL—Founded 1914. Clubs 347, players 12,000. Season, September-May. Colours, red shirts, blue shorts, black and red stockings. Largest stadium, Lisbon, 60,000.

RUMANIA—Originally founded 1910. Clubs 860, players 22,000. Season, March-July, an interval then September-December. Colours, red, yellow and blue. Largest ground, Bucharest, 40,000.

RUSSIA—Originally founded 1912. With expansive territory clubs operate regionally. Players 357,425. Season, southern districts, March-December; central districts, April-October; northern, May-September. Colours, red shirts with State emblem, white shorts, black stockings. Largest stadium, Leningrad, 100,000.

SAARLAND—Founded 1948. Clubs 210, players 8,000. Season, August-June. Colours, blue jerseys, white shorts, blue and white stockings. Largest ground, Saarbrucken, 45,000.

EL SALVADOR—Founded 1935. Clubs 110. Season, September-January. Colours, blue shirts, blue shorts. Largest ground, San Salvador, 20,000.

SIAM—Founded 1916. Clubs 14. Stadium Bangkok, 25,000.

SPAIN—Founded 1905. Clubs 1,857, amateur players 25,863, professionals 3,954. Season, September-June. Colours, red jerseys, blue shorts. Largest stadiums, Barcelonia, 80,000; Madrid, 70,000.

SUDAN—Founded 1936. Clubs 2,000, players 5,500. Season, September-June. Colours, green. Largest ground, Omdurman, 12,000. *Cont. on Page 4*

LETTER OF APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE N.S.W. SOCCER CLUB

(Cut this out and Post to the Association Office)

Address.....

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Date.....

The Secretary,
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Dear Sir,

I, ...

(Full name in Block letters please)

desire to apply to the Board of Directors of your Association for—

(a) Life Membership
(b) Foundation Membership

of the New South Wales Soccer Club, and I attach hereto my remittance for

(a) One Hundred Pounds (£100), Life Membership Debenture.
(b) Ten Pounds, Ten Shillings (£10/10/-) Full Foundation Membership Fee or Three Pounds, Ten Shillings (1st Instalment Foundation Mem. Fee.)

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I am,
Yours faithfully,

Signed.....
(Personal Signature)